IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re the Application of: Kazuhiko TAKADA

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal the July 2, 2004 rejection to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. Enclosed are a petition for a two-month extension of time for response and a check for \$340.00 as the fee for the present Notice of Appeal.

If this Notice of Appeal is not deemed timely filed, applicants petition for the appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2866 along with any other additional fees that may be required with respect to this Notice.

Respectfully submitted,

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